

New Hampshire Council on Resources and Development

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MEMORANDUM

TO: CORD Members and Other Interested Parties Marjorie Webster, Chairman
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P.O. Box 152
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Wakefield Board of Selectmen
2 High Street
Sanbornville, NH 03872

Cynthia Copeland, Executive Director
Strafford Regional Planning Commission
2 Ridge Street, Suite 4
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FROM: Benjamin D. Frost, Senior Planner

DATE: September 29, 2005

SUBJECT: *State Owned Land, Surplus Land Review, Town of Wakefield
SLR 05-017*

RESPONSE DATE: October 31, 2005

Please review the attached information to determine if your agency has any interest in this transaction. If there is an interest, please notify this office of your intent in writing by the response date indicated above. The Council on Resources and Development will consider the request at the next meeting following the comment period.

The Department of Cultural Resources is asked to review this request in accordance with RSA 227-C:9.

Members of the Public Water Access Advisory Board are asked to review this request in accordance with RSA 233-A.

The Lakes Management and Protection Program, through the Lakes Coordinator, is asked to review this request in accordance with RSA 483-A:5, II.

The Rivers Management and Protection Program, through the Rivers Coordinator, is asked to review this request in accordance with RSA 483:8, VI and 14.



STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
INTER-DEPARTMENT COMMUNICATION

From: Christopher Morgan
Administrator

Date: September 28, 2005

At: Bureau of Rail and Transit

Subject: Surplus Land Review
Wolfeboro Branch railroad corridor, Wakefield

To: Mary Ann Manoogian, Director
Office of Energy and Planning

The Department of Transportation, Bureau of Rail & Transit, proposes to sell 1.35 acres of State-owned railroad property to the Town of Wakefield. This parcel is presently leased for 25 years to the Town of Wakefield and used as a town park. The town wishes to purchase the property so that it may construct permanent improvements to the park with the confidence that its ownership will continue. I have attached a map of the location excerpted from the lease agreement.

The continued use of this property as a park will have no impact on the integrity of either the abandoned state-owned rail corridor or the nearby active Conway Branch rail corridor owned by the New Hampshire Northcoast railroad. The parcel is at least 60 feet from the centerline of the New Hampshire Northcoast main track.

Please submit this request to the Council on Resources and Development to determine if this land is surplus to the needs and interests of the State.

Feel free to contact me with any questions.

Enc.

cc: Jack Ferns, Director
William P. Janelle, PE, Administrator, Bureau of Right-of-Way

**Council on Resources and Development
REQUEST FOR SURPLUS LAND REVIEW ACTION**

Name of Requesting Agency: New Hampshire Department of Transportation

Location of Property: Wakefield, Wolfeboro Branch railroad corridor

Acreage: Approximately 1.35 acres of corridor, approximately 60 feet from centerline of adjacent New Hampshire Northcoast Railroad main track on the Conway Branch railroad corridor.

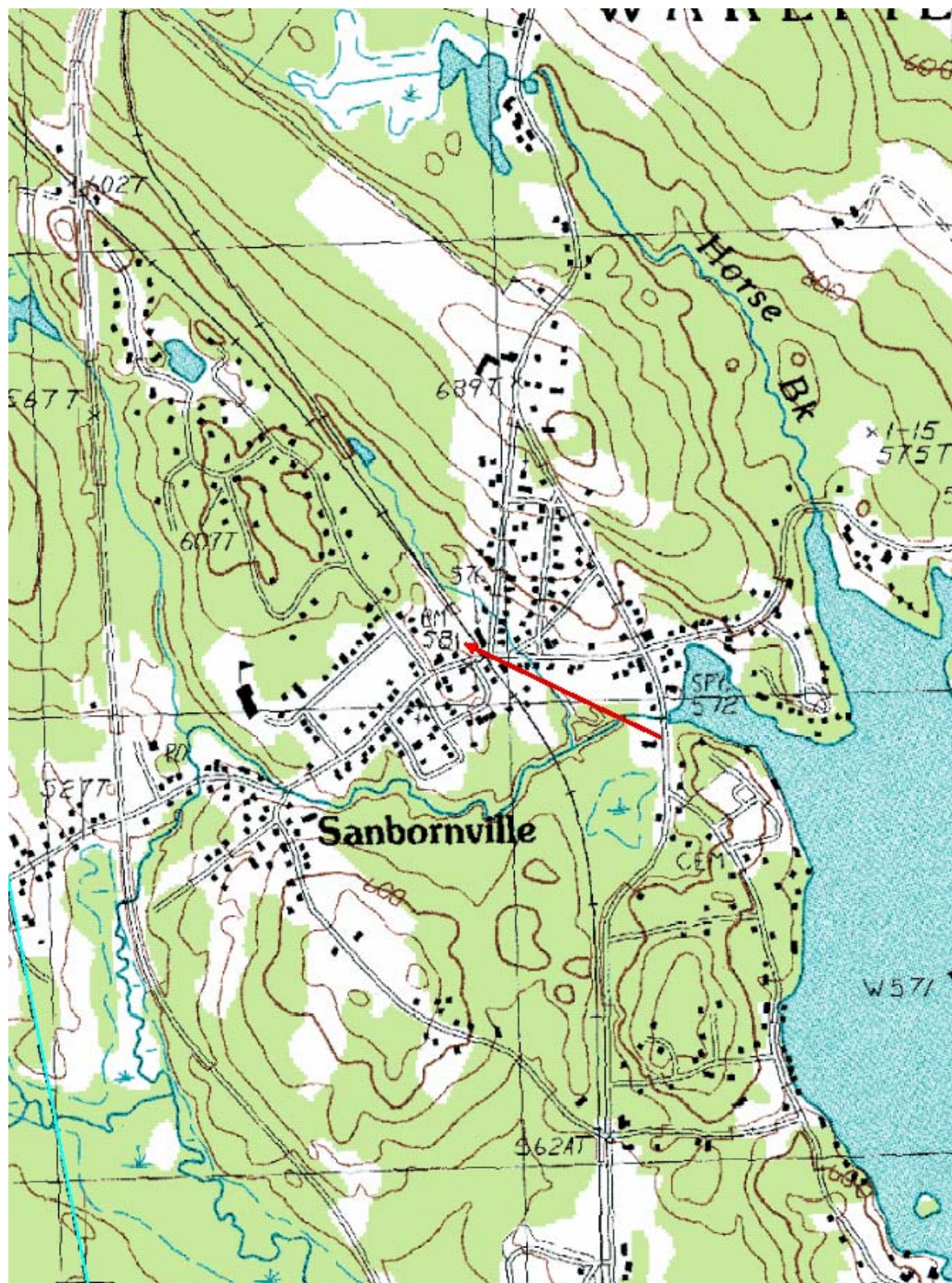
Term of Lease: Sale

Requested Action: Sale of parcel currently leased to Town of Wakefield to allow development, construction of facilities and maintenance of "Turntable Park."

Agency Contact Person: Christopher Morgan, 271-2565

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Please provide the following information, if known, about the property. Attach map(s) showing the location of the property.

1. **What is the current use of this property?** Railroad corridor under cooperative agreement with the Department of Resources and Economic Development, Bureau of Trails as a recreation facility. The specific parcel is currently leased by the Town for use as a town park.
2. **What is the proposed use of this property?** Construction of facilities to enhance use as a town park.
3. **Are there any structures located on this property?** Yes If so, how many and what kind. Abandoned Railroad turntable
4. **Are there water resources related to this property?** None. If so, please indicate the size or extent of such resources.
5. **Please list any other significant resources known to be located on this property.**
6. **Was this property purchased with Federal Highway Funds?** _____ Yes ____ No
7. **Is access to this property available?** x Yes _____ No (from rail or water, otherwise across applicant's property)



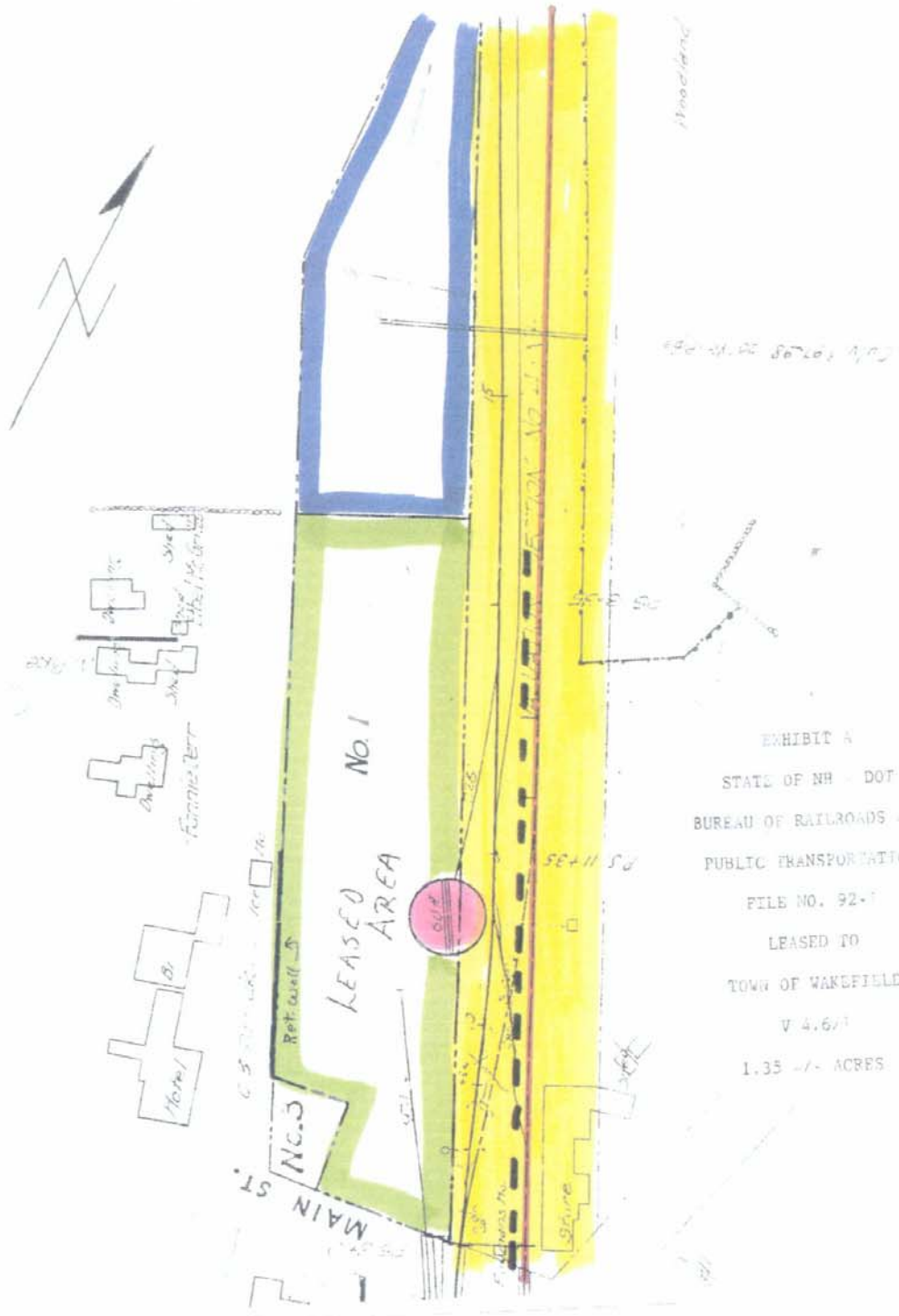


EXHIBIT A
 STATE OF NH - DOT
 BUREAU OF RAILROADS AND
 PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION
 FILE NO. 92-1
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 TOWN OF WAKEFIELD
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 1.33 +/- ACRES